

Please amend the specification as follows:

The paragraph beginning on page 4, line 23:

A cubic liquid crystalline phase precursor comprising an amphiphile (A) capable of forming a cubic liquid crystalline phase, an optional solvent (B), and an additive (C) selected from the group consisting of an anchor, a tether, and combinations thereof, and wherein (A), (B), and (C) are present in mass fractions relative to each other such that $1.0 = a + b + c$, wherein a is the mass fraction of (A), b is the mass fraction of (B), and c is the mass fraction of (C), and wherein $1.0 > a > 0$, $1.0 > b > 0$, $1.0 > c > 0$; with the proviso that a, b, and c do not fall within a cubic liquid crystalline phase region on a phase diagram representing phase behavior of (A), (B), and (C).